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ALLOWS CHINESE SHIPS TO GO DIRECTLY TO HONG KONG -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 14 Oct 50

Canton, 13 October -- Effective 16 October 1950, all Chinese cargo vessels may go directly to Hong Kong from Canton to unload and pick up cargo, it was announced by the Canton Harbor Control Bureau. Heretofore, they were allowed to go as far as Ta-ch'an Island, located west of Nan-t'ou.

PANAMANIAN SHIP ARRIVES FROM AMOY -- Hong Kong, Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 13 Oct 50

Hong Kong -- The Panamanian ship Mailina arrived in Hong Kong on 12 October 1950 from Amoy after having narrowly escaped seizure by a Nationalist warship while leaving Amoy on the night of 10 October. The Mailina, which weighs 600 tons, departed for Amoy from Hong Kong last week with several hundred tons of fertilizer and other cargo.

HONG KONG-SHANGHAI SHIPPING INCREASES -- Hong Kong, Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 16 Oct 50

Hong Kong -- Shipping service between Hong Kong and Shanghai is increasing as a large amount of cargo awaits transportation in both ports. According to a Hong Kong shipping merchant, as many as nine foreign ships are now plying between these two ports. One of those ships, the Ethel Moller, will depart for Shanghai with a full load of cargo on 16 October 1950, followed by two medium-size British ships within a few days.

Shipping service from Hong Kong to Swatow has also increased as a large amount of fertilizer coming into Hong Kong from Japan is transshipped to Communist China through that port. All the ships going to Swatow are reported to be fully loaded with fertilizer and other cargo. Among them was the Empire Park which left on 15 October, carrying about 600 tons of fertilizer and 300 tons of industrial raw materials, metal products, imported pharmaceuticals, dyestuffs, and old rubber tires.

LISTS DUTIES OF HARBOR CONTROL BUREAUS -- Peiping Jen-min Jih-pao, 7 Aug 50

Peiping, 5 August (Hsin-hua) -- The Ministry of Communications of the Central People's government has established Harbor Control Bureaus at Tientsin, Canton, Shanghai, Tsingtao, and Dairen, and specified the duties of each bureau as follows:

1. Supervise the dredging of harbor areas and inland waterways, and clearing obstacles and ice where necessary.
2. Repair and service navigational lights and markers within the harbor; repair and construct water supply installations.
3. Repair, construct, safeguard, and control all wharf warehouses and installations other than those which belong to the Ministries of Navy and Railway.
4. Supervise registration and inspection of vessels.
5. Supervise pilot service.
6. Control shipping traffic.
7. Collect and disseminate weather and hydrographic information.
8. Collect wharfage fees.

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9. Supervise examination of seamen.
10. Supervise registration and administration of shipping companies.
11. Handle all navigational matters within the harbor.

The bureaus will also assist the operation of the following:

1. Customs House, in inspection of incoming and outgoing cargo, and collection of duties.
2. Harbor police, in maintaining peace and order.
3. Health Department, in inspection, fumigation, disinfection, and quarantine of ships.
4. Ministry of Navy, in construction and administration of navigational lights and markers, and charting and publishing navigational data.
5. Local government, in education and organization of longshoreman's union.

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